

1st Samuel

Purpose: To reveal the political and spiritual consequences in Israel's folly of rejecting the theocracy in favor of a monarchy, and to witness the sovereign working of God to prepare a "man after His own heart" to rule as king.

SAMUEL

A Prophet-Judge for the Time When the Glory Departed

Samuel Established as a Prophet of the LORD

Samuel Revives the Nation to Overcome the Philistines

Dedication of Samuel to the LORD

Samuel Confirmed as Prophet in Contrast to A Corrupt Priesthood

Defeat at Aphek: The Glory Departs!

Philistines Afflicted By the Ark

Return of the Ark To Israel

Philistines Subdued Following a Revival

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THE REIGN OF SAUL

The Blunder of the Monarchy with Saul as King

Founding of the Kingdom Under Saul

Saul's Rule Rejected by the LORD

Decline of Saul with the Choice and Emergence of David

"Give Us A King!"

Saul's First Great Failure: Offered Sacrifices

Saul's Foolishness Contrasted with Jonathan's Brave Loyalty

Amalekites: The LORD Rejects Saul's Rule

David Emerges a Hero, Only To Incur Saul's Hatred

David's Wanderings—Fleeing From Saul

The Philistine War That Ends Saul's Reign

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